

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) Eccentric screw-type pump, comprising a drive system that is operatively connected, via a driving shaft, to a rotor, with a first stator and at least one further spare stator, wherein

said first stator and said at least one further spare stator are joined to each other, without a space therebetween, such that said first stator presents an operating region and a spare region, with said first stator being ~~reversed~~ reversible or ~~displaced~~ displaceable for switching said operating and spare regions.

2. (Previously presented) Eccentric screw-type pump according to Claim 1, wherein

said first stator and at least one further spare stator comprise a stator in a stator envelope.

3. (Previously presented) Eccentric screw-type pump according to Claim 2, wherein

a change of ~~the~~ engagement of said rotor from a used part of the stator to the stator part reserved as a substitute is carried out by moving the stator through 180° relative to a longitudinal axis thereof.

4. (Previously presented) Eccentric screw-type pump according to Claim 1, wherein

said rotor is connected, via a flexible shaft, to said drive system, which flexible shaft extends permanently beyond a free stator half adjacent said drive system.

5. (Currently amended) Eccentric screw-type pump ~~according to Claim 1~~ comprising a drive system that is operatively connected, via a driving shaft, to a rotor, with a first stator and at least one further spare stator, wherein

said first stator and said at least one further spare stator are joined to each other, without a space therebetween, such that said first stator presents an operating region and a spare region, with said first stator being reversible or displaceable for switching said operating and spare regions and, wherein

said stator comprises an intermediate tube arrangeable on ~~[[both]]~~ a suction-side end ~~[[and]]~~ or a delivery-side end of said stator.

6. (Previously presented) Eccentric screw-type pump according to the Claim 5, wherein

said flexible shaft is sized to extend to said stator through said intermediate tube arranged at the delivery-side end of said stator.

7. (Currently amended) Eccentric screw-type pump ~~according to Claim 1,~~ comprising a drive system that is operatively connected, via a driving shaft, to a rotor, with a first stator and at least one further spare stator, wherein
said first stator and said at least one further spare stator are joined to each other, without a space therebetween, such that said first stator presents an operating region and a spare region, with said first stator being reversible or displaceable for switching said operating and spare regions, and

wherein said stator is connectable to a pump casing and terminating tubulure via a quick-action clamping device.